

Resources and Information Historic Preservation in Washington, DC

DC Historic Preservation Office

The city agency responsible for a variety of historic preservation functions including the review of historic district building permits, administration of the Historic Preservation Review Board, and for managing the DC Inventory of Historic Places. This is the agency to call with questions about whether or not a property is individually listed on the DC Inventory or is located within a historic district.

planning.dc.gov/page/historic-preservation-office Phone: 202.442.8800

DC Preservation League

The citywide historic preservation organization, founded in 1971 as “Don’t Tear it Down,” that promotes the preservation of Washington’s built environment through advocacy and education.

dcpreservation.org Phone: 202.783.5144

DC Preservation League’s Contractor Database

This consultant directory was created as a reference to the general public and government agencies seeking professional assistance from consultants with expertise in historic preservation. The directory is not all inclusive, but lists all companies who submitted complete applications.

dcpreservation.org/contractor-database/

DC Historic Sites

DC Historic Sites is based on the DC Inventory of Historic Sites, the city’s official list of properties deemed worthy of recognition and protection for their contribution to the cultural heritage of the city, the nation’s capital, and the nation. DC Historic Sites was developed by the DC Preservation League, Washington’s only citywide non-profit dedicated to the preservation, protection, and enhancement of the historic resources of our nation’s capital. historicsites.dcpreservation.org/

Historic Districts Coalition

The Historic Districts Coalition is an informal alliance of organizations and individuals representing Washington, DC’s historic districts.

dcpreservation.org/historic-districts-coalition/

The L'Enfant Trust

A local non-profit organization dedicated to “promote a public aesthetic in land use planning,” the L'Enfant Trust holds more than 1,000 Conservation Easements in Washington, DC.

lenfant.org Phone: 202.483.4880

National Register of Historic Places

The official list of the nation's historic places worthy of preservation. The National Register is administered by the National Park Service, which is part of the U.S. Department of the Interior.

<https://www.nps.gov/subjects/nationalregister/index.htm>

National Trust for Historic Preservation

National organization dedicated to historic preservation advocacy and education.

savingplaces.org

Secretary of the Interior's Standards

The most commonly referenced set of historic preservation standards in the United States.

<https://www.nps.gov/tps/standards.htm>

Neighborhood Brochures

<https://www.dcpreservation.org/resources/neighborhood-brochures/>

Easement brochure

<https://www.nps.gov/tps/tax-incentives/taxdocs/easements-historic-properties.pdf>

Tax Credit Brochure

<https://www.nps.gov/tps/tax-incentives/taxdocs/about-tax-incentives-2012.pdf>

Neighborhood Organizations

Bloomington Civic Association, bloomingtoncivicassociation.org/

Capitol Hill Restoration Society, chrs.org

Citizens Association of Georgetown, cagtown.org

Cleveland Park Historical Society, clevelandparkhistoricalsociety.org/

Dupont Circle Conservancy, dupontcircleconservancy.org

Foggy Bottom Association, foggybottomassociation.org/

Historic Anacostia Block Association, Facebook: Historic Anacostia Block Association (HABA)

Historic Dupont Circle Main Streets, dupontcirclemainstreets.org/

Historic Mount Pleasant, historicmountpleasant.org/

Historic Takoma, historictakoma.org/

Kalorama Citizens Association, kaloramacitizensassociation.org/

Logan Circle Community Association, logancircle.org/

U Street Neighborhood Association, Facebook: U Street Neighborhood Association

Woodley Park Community Association, wpcaonline.org/